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Title: ZERO HEADSPACE EXTRACTOR AND
METHOD FOR DETERMINING
PARTITIONING AND CONTAMINANT
RELEASE RATES OF VOLATILE AND
SEMI-VOLATILE COMPOUNDS

Group No.: 1743

Examiner:
Sines, Brian J.

RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION

Commissioner for Patents
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

This Communication is being filed in response to the final Office Action mailed 26 July 2005 in which Claims 1-13 are indicated to be pending, Claims 7-13 have been indicated to be allowed, Claims 2, 3, 5 and 6 have been objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any

I hereby certify that this correspondence (along with any paper referred to as being attached or enclosed) is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as First Class Mail in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 on

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